

# Parks and Recreation

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## Program Goal

The Parks and Recreation Department provides and maintains a diverse Parks and Recreation system available and accessible to all which will contribute to the physical, mental, social, and cultural needs of the community and permit outlets

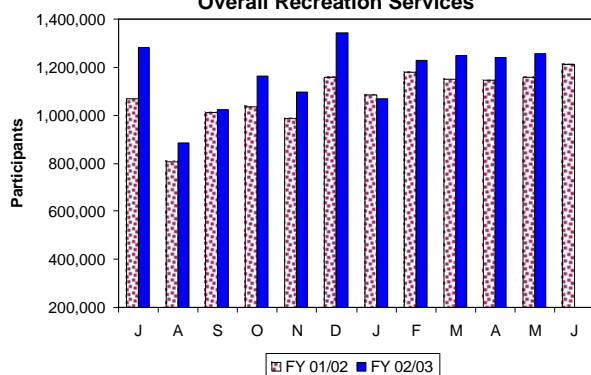
that will cultivate a wholesome sense of civic pride and social responsibility.

## Key Services

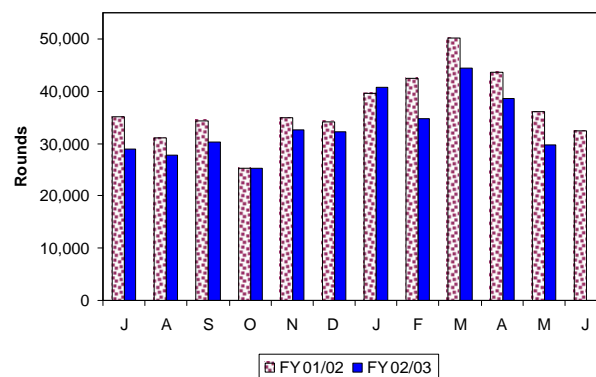
Park Services, Recreation Services.

Phone 602-262-6862

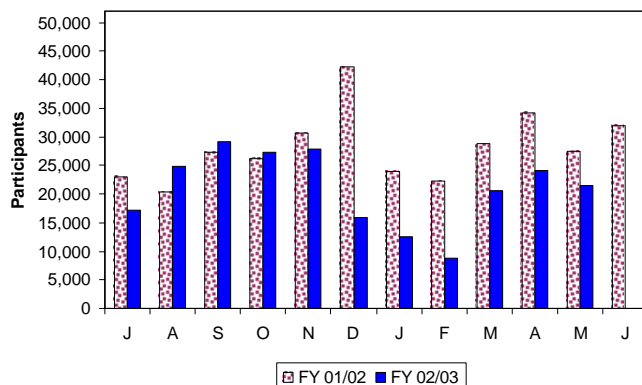
**Overall Recreation Services\***



**Golf Rounds Played**



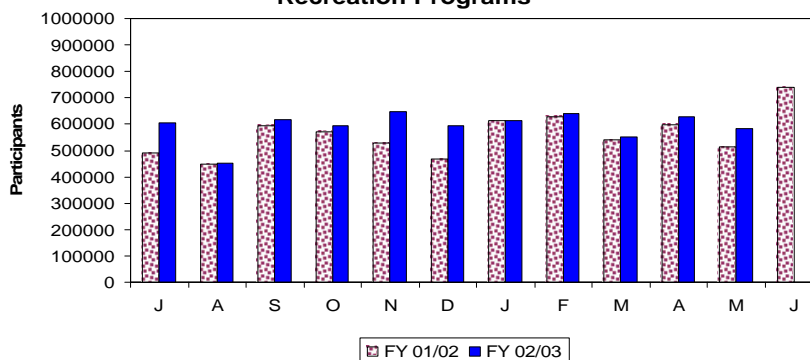
**At-Risk-Youth Programs\***



Papago Golf Course



**After School/Summer Recreation Programs\***



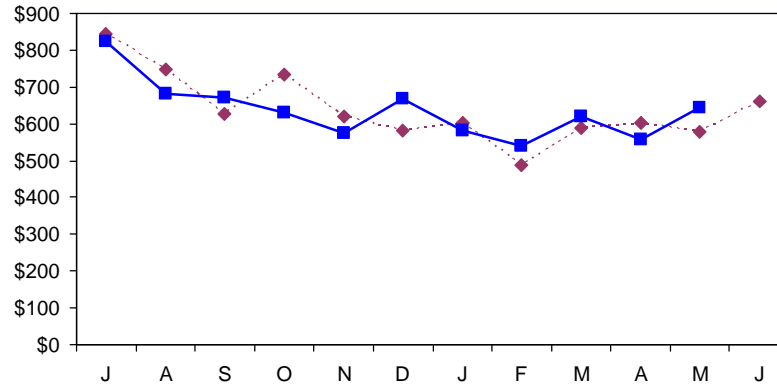
\* Participants figures are estimates

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## Cost of Maintenance Per Acre

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## Developed Parks

Telephone Pioneer  
Park Playground

Japanese Tea House

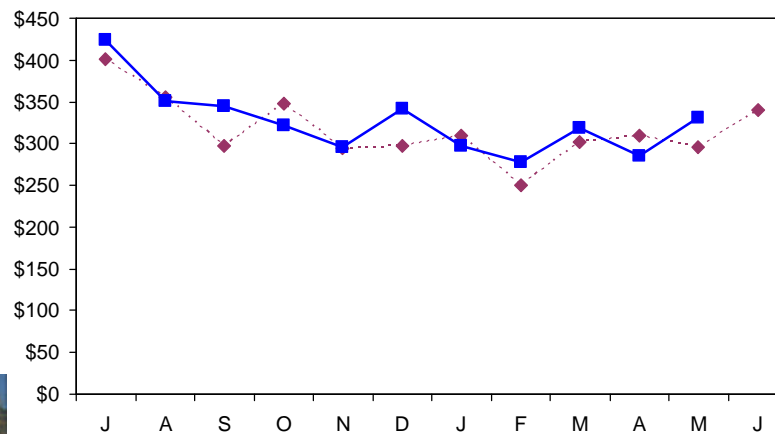


Cancer Survivors Park



Paradise Valley Pool

## Undeveloped Parks



Pueblo Grande Museum

Paradise Valley  
Community Center

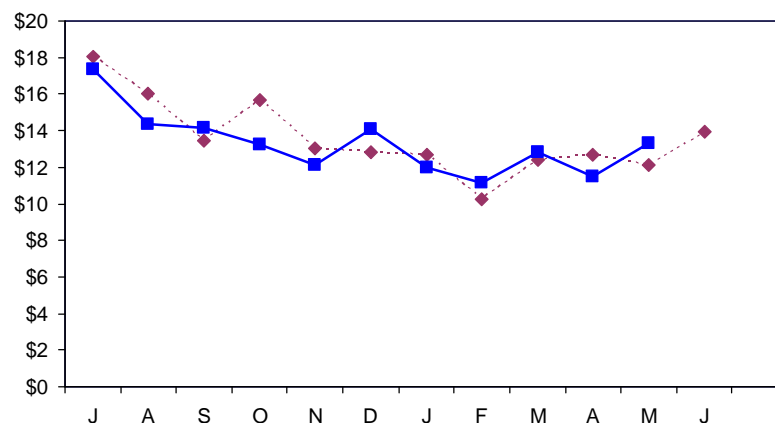
Squaw Peak Park Trail

South Mountain  
Park Entrance

Kid Street Park

South Mountain  
Environmental Center

## Mountain Parks/Preserves

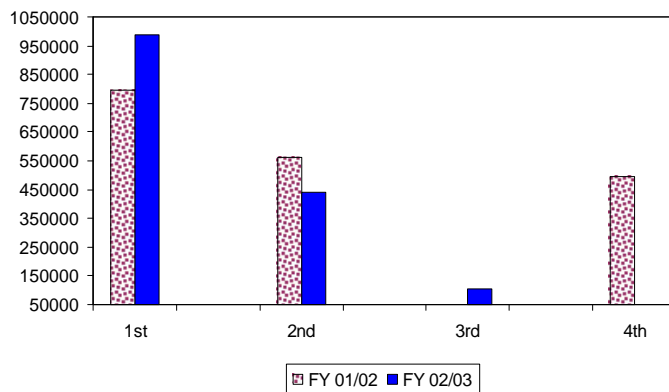


A full year of Equip. Mgmt. Expenses were charged in September FY 01/02. These charges were distributed monthly (retroactively to July) to show correct chart comparisons.

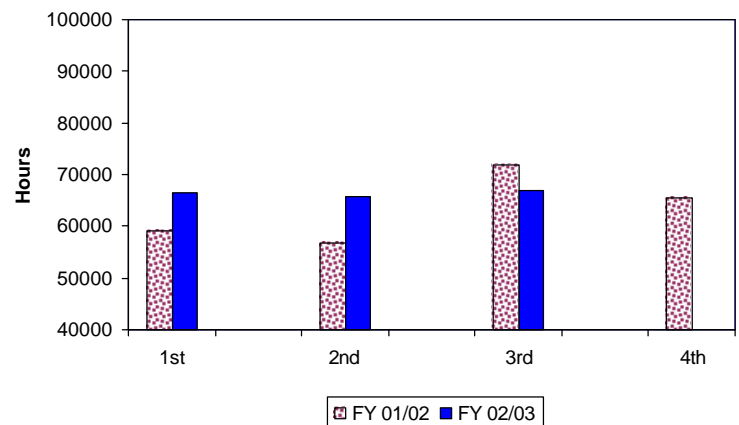
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## Quarterly Reports

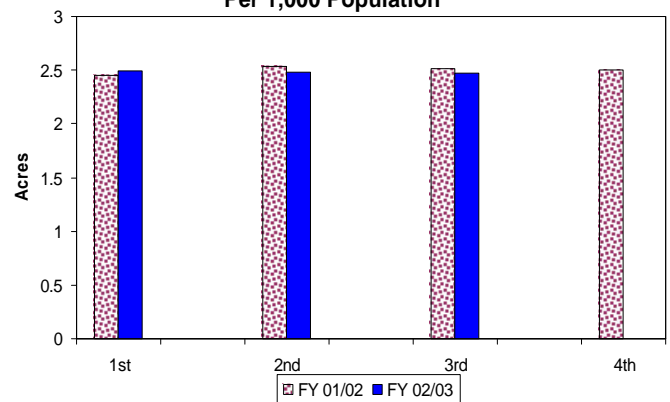
Grant Dollars Received



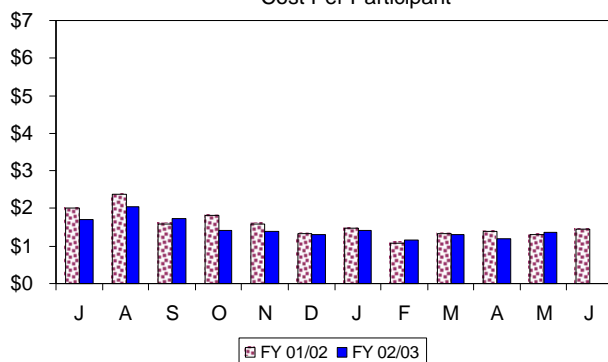
Number of Volunteer Hours\*



Steel Indian School Park

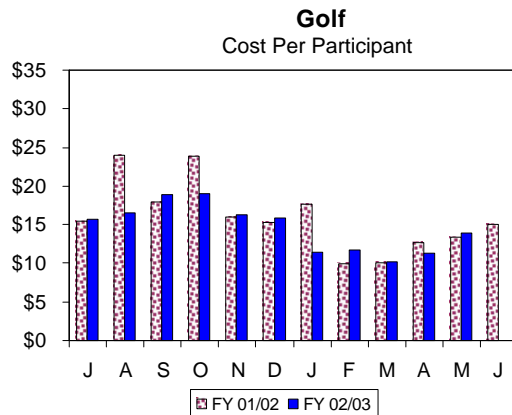
Acres of Developed Parks  
Per 1,000 Population

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Recreation\*  
Cost Per Participant

Telephone Pioneer Pool

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**Aguila Golf Course**

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### Comments/Highlights

Total parks and recreation participation for May 2003 increased to 3,145,083 compared to last year's figure of 2,745,377.

Golf rounds decreased to 29,745 compared to 36,095 for the same month last year.

All 28 City pools opened for weekend swimming May 3 and on Memorial Day, May 26. Regular daily swimming will begin on June 2 at all City pools. Registrations were also held for various pool activities and classes throughout the month, including learn to swim classes, Cigna Healthcare's Water Safety Program, recreational swim team programs, and water aerobic training sessions for those instructors conducting water aerobics classes during the 2003 season.

Phoenix Center for the Arts hosted an opening reception for artists featured in the Arte Latino en la Ciudad exhibit on May 2. Some of the valley's finest Hispanic artists exhibited paintings, pottery, photography, and other artwork at the annual show. The free event included live entertainment and refreshments. The art show ran through May 29.

Cinco de Mayo celebrations were also held in May. Cinco de Mayo recognizes the accomplishments of Mexican Americans and celebrates the May 5 Mexican holiday. Families were invited to enjoy games, food, music, entertainment, dancing, and special programs.

Steele Indian School Park's second annual summer concert series began May 10 with the big band sounds of Lynn "Win" Roberts and his Swinging Saxes. Music lovers brought blankets, lawn chairs, and picnic baskets and enjoyed a free evening of music at the parks' outdoor amphitheater. The concerts are scheduled through September.

Pioneer and Military Memorial Park honored Arizona veterans and early settlers at its 20<sup>th</sup> annual Memorial Day observance on May 26. Activities included an opening prayer, a flag presentation, a cannon salute, and a tour of the historic Smurthwaite House - an archival library for information regarding the state's historic cemeteries.

Mother's Day celebrations were held at various parks and community centers in May. Special events were held so children could honor their mothers with food, crafts, games, and special entertainment.

Registration for summer recreation, sports, and special interest programs began at valley community centers in May. Activities for children through seniors were offered and included dance, martial arts, aerobics, arts and crafts, piano, guitar, basketball, volleyball, softball, T-Ball, and tennis. Some centers offered field trips, day camps, and pre-school programs.

Rose Mofford and Papago Sports Complexes hosted several softball tournaments in May, including a women's slow pitch championship, an Arizona high school championship, and several youth fast pitch tournaments. Rose Mofford Sports Complex also hosted the Snickers National Soccer Tournament. Desert West Sports Complex hosted several softball tournaments in May.